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HONG KONG'S FISHING INDUSTRY, 1963-64 1/

SUMMARY

Marine fishing, an industry which employs about 75,000 people utilizing about 10,000 small craft, had an excellent year in 1963 in terms of catch and slightly less satisfactory year in 1964 because of destructive typhoons. Fishing was carried on in both of the years under review in traditional fishing grounds along the coast of Kwangtung Province south of the Colony of Hong Kong with some larger vessels trawling off Hainan Island and into the Gulf of Tonkin.

The pond fishing industry suffered particularly bad years in both 1963 and 1964 because of the extreme draught. Imports of pond fish from Communist China increased markedly during this period.

Imports of fish into Hong Kong reached a record high in 1964 due largely to increased Chinese Communist imports. Japan and Macau were the second and third largest suppliers of imports but their volume was far below that of Mainland China. The United States increased the value of its exports to Hong Kong slightly but the U.S. share-of-the-market declined.

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Hong Kong's principal export in both years were prawns and shrimp of which Japan took 80%. Some products in this category were exported to the United States in 1963 but there were no exports in 1964.

The Government continued to give assistance to fishermen through the Fisheries Services of the Agriculture and Fisheries Department.

1. Marine Fishing Industry

Marine fishing is an important primary industry in Hong Kong employing in 1964 about 75,000 people out of an estimated work force of 1,450,000. The fishing population of Hong Kong carries on many types of marine fishing and operates a fleet of about 10,000 craft ranging from simple oar-propelled sampans to modern deepsea trawlers. The majority of the fishing fleet consists of traditional Chinese-type craft up to about 86' in length. Over 60 percent of the fleet is equipped with engines.

The main fishing areas for purse seiners, gill netters, shrimp trawlers and other inshore craft is to the south of the Colony along the coast of Kwangtung Province inside the 25-fathom line. Many of these areas fall within waters claimed by the Communist Chinese Government and since 1958 fishermen based in Hong Kong have been compelled to land a portion of their catch in Mainland China as payment for their right to fish or pass through Chicom waters. There are also some restrictions on the type of fishing equipment permitted in Chinese Communist controlled waters, apparently in order to prevent damage to commune fishing gear and grounds fished by commune craft.

The larger junk-type trawlers and medium-sized long liners work mainly in the same area as the smaller craft but farther off-shore between the 30 to 70-fathom lines and south to Hainan Island. A few of the larger mechanized trawlers are now fishing in the Gulf of Tonkin.

Landings by the Hong Kong fishing fleet were excellent in 1963 but declined slightly in 1964. Weather was favorable throughout 1963, the typhoon season started late and there was little or no damage from the typhoons that passed close to the Colony. In 1964, however, there were several violent typhoons that did considerable damage to fishing craft and inhibited fishing during May, June, August, September and October. The last two months of 1964 were excellent with large catches the general rule.

2. Marketing

About 70% of the Hong Kong catch is sold through the five markets of the Fish Marketing Organization, the remainder is consumed by the fishermen themselves, sold directly to restaurants, sold as bait, or sold outside the FMO for other purposes. In 1963 a total of 65,334 tons 2/ of fresh marine fish and salt-dried fish were sold through these markets as compared with 59,336 tons in 1964, a decrease of 14%. During both years fresh marine fish accounted for a fraction more than 95% of the total fish marketed.

3. Pond Fish

Pond fish production in the New Territories declined drastically in 1963 and 1964 because of the severe drought. Production fell from 611.89 long tons in 1963 to 312.97 long tons in 1964 while importation of pond fish from Communist China rose from 14,478.75 long tons in 1963 to 20,213.66 long tons in 1964. A study carried out in 1964 concluded that pond fishing will never become a major primary product in Hong Kong because of the unreliable water supply.

4. Foreign Trade

Imports of fish and fish products 3/ into Hong Kong reached a record high of US$31,423,769 in 1964 as compared with US$22,101,705 in 1963 and US$19,475,702 in 1962. The largest supplier was Communist China which shipped fish and fish products valued at US$11,081,338 in 1963 and US$18,615,061 in 1964 (an increase of 68% over the previous year). The largest part of these imports (48% in 1963 and 46% in 1964) consisted of pond fish. The second and third largest categories were shrimp (14% in 1963 and 22% in 1964) and salt/dried or smoked fish (11% in 1963, 9.6% in 1964). The large jump in Chicom sales to Hong Kong is believed to be the result of an increase in re-exports and the increased demand created by the fall-off in Hong Kong pond fish production. There has also been a concerted effort to intensify sales of all categories of Mainland food and manufactured products in the Colony in the past year.

2/ Long tons of 2,240 lbs. each.

3/ Export and import data are taken from Hong Kong Commerce and Industry Department Statistics and include fresh water as well as marine fish under the category of fish and fish products.

The second largest supplier of fish and fish products to Hong Kong was Japan which shipped mainly sharks fins. Macau, which shipped mostly shrimp, placed third.

Japan has become the principal market for Hong Kong fish and fish products taking 65% of all domestic exports in 1963 and 59.3% in 1964. Frozen shrimp and prawns are Hong Kong's chief global exports in this category and Japan took 80% of these items in both 1963 and 1964. However, the value of shrimp and prawns shipped to Japan declined by 32% in 1964, reportedly because of strong competition from Mexico.

5. Trade with the United States

Hong Kong imports from the United States have remained roughly the same over the past five years. In 1963 they were valued at US$1,242,356 and in 1964 at US$1,538,043. However, the United States share-of-the-market declined from 6.4% in 1962 to 5.6% in 1963, and to 4.9% in 1964, because of the large increase in importations from Communist China. The chief category of imports from the United States was "crustacea and mullusca: canned", which consisted chiefly of tinned abalone.

Exports by Hong Kong to the United States in 1963 were valued at US$965,040. The two principle commodities were frozen prawns and shrimp (26%) and salt/dried and smoked fish (22%). These exports declined in value by 20% to US$765,559 in 1964 because no prawns or shrimp were shipped. Frozen shrimp shipments to the United States have been affected by the Foreign Assets Control requirement of certifying that shrimp is not of Communist Chinese origin.

6. Government Participation

The Hong Kong Government actively encourages the local fishing industry through the Agriculture and Fisheries Department's Fisheries Services 4/. This Service, headed by an Assistant Director, is organized into Divisions covering the fields of Fisheries Research, Fisheries Extension and the Fish Marketing Organization. In addition, the Department has a Cooperatives Section which assists fishermen's cooperatives. The Fish Marketing Organization operates five wholesale fish markets throughout the Colony and is planning to build at least two additional markets in the future. It transports fish from six outlying collection depots to the markets, supervises the auctioning of the fish and the payment of fishermen, operates educational facilities for fishermen's children, and provides loans to fishermen. The FMO charges 6% on sales through its markets to finance its activities.

4/ In July 1964 the Agriculture and Forestry Department and the Cooperative Development and Fisheries Department were merged into the Agriculture and Fisheries Department.

The Fisheries Research Station undertakes biological and oceanographical investigation of the Continental Shelf from Taiwan to the Gulf of Tonkin using its research trawler the "Cape St. Mary." It maintains a headquarters, library and laboratories at Aberdeen, the major fishing port on Hong Kong Island.

The Fisheries Extension division carries out research and demonstrations regarding fishing methods, craft, gear, and techniques. It has been particularly active in the development of a mechanization program and the training of fishermen as masters and engineers. It has also developed designs for modern fishing craft 5/.

5/ Additional information on the Hong Kong fishing industry can be found in the two publications listed below. They are available by mail from The Government Publications Bureau, Central Post Office, Hong Kong, B.C.C., at the prices indicated.

Commissioner for Cooperative Development and Fisheries, Annual Department Reports - 1963-64, 35 pp. with Tables, HK$5.00.

..., Hong Kong - Report for the Year 1964, 346 pp., illus., HK$10.00.

Number of Fishing Craft in Hong Kong as of February 11, 1964 a/

Type of Vessel	Number of Craft	Number of Fishermen b/
LINERS		
Big Long Liners	31	1,705
Medium Long Liners	92	1,840
Small Long Liners	1,432	10,024
SEINERS		
Pa Teng *	9	180
Purse Seiners	1,275	11,475
TRAWLERS		
Trawler Companies	28	390
Deep Sea Trawlers	166	3,486
Inshore Trawlers	218	3,488
Shrimp Trawlers	1,722	13,776
GILL NETTERS	2,439	19,512
MISCELLANEOUS	872	4,334
TOTAL	9,400	75,800

a/ This is the result of the last census of the fishing fleet carried out by the Cooperative Development and Fisheries Department. It does not include small dual-purpose craft such as ferries and freight-hauling boats which might be used for inshore fishing depending on the season.

b/ Deckhands only.

* Traditional wind driven Chinese craft

Quantity given in piculs.[b] Value given in U.S. Dollars.[c] (1963 data given in parenthesis)

Months	Fresh Marine Fish			Salt/Dried Fish			Total Fresh, Salted or Dried Fish		
	Quantity Sold	Value US$	Price Per Picul	Quantity Sold	Value US$	Price Per Picul	Quantity Sold	Value US$	Average Price Per Picul
January	78,440 (67,568)	963,936 (890,962)	12.29 (13.19)	1,929 (2,532)	28,453 (24,780)	14.75 (9.79)	80,369 (70,100)	992,389 (915,742)	12.35 (13.06)
February	51,765 (74,112)	701,704 (983,677)	13.55 (13.27)	894 (2,879)	12,481 (39,022)	13.96 (13.55)	52,659 (76,991)	714,185 (1,022,699)	13.56 (13.28)
March	91,464 (97,383)	1,009,673 (1,121,784)	11.04 (11.52)	2,883 (4,483)	36,809 (42,289)	12.77 (9.43)	94,347 (101,866)	1,046,482 (1,164,073)	11.09 (11.43)
April	86,261 (83,238)	929,417 (979,922)	10.77 (11.77)	3,692 (2,393)	39,493 (21,449)	10.70 (8.96)	89,953 (85,631)	968,910 (1,001,371)	10.77 (11.72)
May	63,774 (79,258)	762,537 (895,821)	11.96 (11.30)	7,192 (2,942)	43,056 (28,500)	5.99 (9.69)	70,966 (82,200)	805,593 (924,321)	11.35 (11.24)
June	55,815 (62,272)	635,767 (732,264)	11.39 (11.76)	5,356 (4,960)	24,760 (26,061)	4.62 (5.25)	61,171 (67,232)	660,527 (758,325)	10.80 (11.28)
July	68,640 (60,345)	709,315 (683,593)	10.33 (11.33)	4,304 (9,347)	44,683 (36,373)	10.38 (3.89)	72,944 (69,692)	753,998 (719,966)	10.34 (10.33)
August	68,893 (79,543)	748,330 (860,762)	10.86 (10.82)	2,141 (5,913)	27,312 (55,534)	12.76 (9.39)	71,034 (85,456)	775,642 (916,296)	11.06 (10.72)
September	46,106 (70,917)	557,744 (745,621)	12.10 (10.51)	1,474 (4,277)	21,405 (44,940)	14.52 (10.51)	47,580 (75,194)	579,149 (790,561)	12.17 (10.51)
October	53,488 (73,987)	674,277 (838,444)	12.61 (11.33)	1,803 (4,580)	31,654 (55,623)	17.56 (12.14)	55,291 (78,567)	705,931 (894,067)	12.77 (11.38)
November	69,917 (80,446)	893,984 (862,975)	12.78 (10.72)	2,671 (3,905)	42,387 (51,179)	15.87 (13.11)	72,588 (84,351)	936,371 (914,154)	12.90 (10.84)
December	83,057 (78,224)	986,097 (909,203)	11.87 (11.62)	4,235 (3,620)	70,686 (45,566)	16.69 (12.65)	87,292 (81,826)	1,056,783 (954,769)	12.10 (11.67)
Total	817,620 (907,293	9,572,780 (10,505,028)	11.71 (11.58)	38,574 (51,813)	423,180 (471,316)	10.97 (9.10)	856,194 (959,106)	9,995,960 (10,976,344)	11.67 (11.44)

a/ Does not include shrimp. b/ 1 picul = 133.33 lb. c/ Exchange rate: 1963 - US$1 = HK$5.75
1964 - US$1 = HK$5.748

Production and Importation of Pond Fish (By Weight)
1963 & 1964

	1963		1964	
	Hong Kong	Communist China	Hong Kong	Communist China
January.....	2,700 piculs	13,988 piculs	900 piculs	29,686 piculs
February....	2,200 "	7,266 "	850 "	24,579 "
March.....	800 "	9,288 "	280 "	27,602 "
April.....	400 "	10,201 "	100 "	26,860 "
May.....	240 "	16,291 "	15 "	26,814 "
June.....	30 "	18,161 "	78 "	29,627 "
July.....	50 "	23,587 "	100 "	30,000 "
August.....	250 "	25,552 "	330 "	29,836 "
September...	900 "	26,290 "	450 "	31,615 "
October.....	910 "	29,966 "	565 "	31,150 "
November....	1,000 "	30,783 "	658 "	41,600 "
December....	800 "	31,876 "	932 "	39,915 "
	10,280	243,249	5,258	339,598

1 picul = 133.33 pounds

Hong Kong's Trade in Fish & Fish Preparations by Country and Value 1963 & 1964

Value US$ *

Country of Origin	Year 1963	Percent of Total 1963 Imports	Year 1964	Percent of Total 1964 Imports
Communist China	11,081,338	50.1 %	18,615,062	59.3 %
Japan	3,446,593	15.7 %	4,035,622	12.8 %
U. S. A.	1,242,356	5.6 %	1,538,042	4.9 %
Macau	1,724,915	7.8 %	1,283,253	4.1 %
Other countries	4,586,503	20.8 %	5,941,178	18.9 %
Total	22,101,705	100.0 %	31,413,157	100.0 %

Hong Kong's Exports of Fish & Fish Preparations by Country and Value 1963 & 1964

Value US$ *

Country of Destination	Year 1963	Percent of Total 1963 Exports	Year 1964	Percent of Total 1964 Exports
Japan	5,055,926	65.0 %	3,513,126	59.3 %
U. S. A.	965,040	12.4 %	765,559	12.9 %
Canada	375,788	4.8 %	258,731	4.4 %
Malaya & Singapore	346,727	4.5 %	488,880	8.2 %
Australia	329,402	4.2 %	298,114	5.0 %
U. K.	164,772	2.1 %	251,876	4.3 %
Other countries	542,716	7.0 %	348,420	5.9 %
Total	7,780,371	100.0 %	5,924,706	100.0 %

* Rates of exchange : Year 1964 - US$1.00 = HK$5.748
Year 1963 - US$1.00 = HK$5.75

U.S.-Hong Kong Trade in Fish and Fish Preparations 1963 to 1964

Value US$ *

A. IMPORTS	Year 1960	Year 1961	Year 1962	Year 1963	Year 1964
From U.S.A.	1,242,515	941,902	1,245,845	1,242,356	1,538,043
Global Total	19,798,899	17,568,719	19,475,702	22,101,705	31,423,769
US Share of Market	6.3 %	5.4 %	6.4 %	5.6 %	4.9 %

B. EXPORTS	Year 1960	Year 1961	Year 1962	Year 1963	Year 1964
To U.S.A.	633,942	597,370	1,480,122	965,040	765,559
Global Total	1,858,773	2,102,587	4,019,583	7,780,371	5,924,706
US Proportion of Total Exports	34.1 %	28.4 %	36.8 %	12.4 %	12.9 %

* Rates of exchange : Year 1960 - US$1.00 = HK$5.723
1961 - US$1.00 = HK$5.75
1962 - US$1.00 = HK$5.718
1963 - US$1.00 = HK$5.75
1964 - US$1.00 = HK$5.748

Source : Trade Statistics, Commerce and Industry Department, HK Government.

I. Hong Kong Imports from the United States of Fish and Fish Preparations in 1963 and 1964 (by Category and Value)

Value US$ *

Description	Year 1963	Year 1964
Crustacea and molluscs : canned	1,139,262	1,441,625
Marine water fish & preparations : canned	54,230	60,040
Sharks fins: salted, dried or smoked	24,625	19,030
Fish: salted, dried or smoked, n.e.s.	21,500	14,062
Cuttlefish, squid: salted, dried or smoked	Nil	1,392
Crustacea, molluscs, n.e.s.: fresh or frozen	1,503	950
Prawns, shrimps: salted, dried or smoked	Nil	797
Marine water fish: fresh, chilled or frozen	1,576	146
Total	1,242,356	1,538,042

II. Hong Kong Exports to the United States of Fish and Fish Preparations in 1963 and 1964 (by Category and Value)

Value US$ *

Description	Year 1963	Year 1964
Prawns, shrimps: fresh, chilled or frozen	254,214	Nil
Fish: salted, dried or smoked, n.e.s.	221,241	255,390
Oysters: salted, dried or smoked	99,130	91,834
Fresh water fish and preparations: canned	81,770	75,826
Aquarium fish	74,389	137,925
Cuttlefish and squid: salted, dried or smoked	69,560	83,359
Other fish products	165,536	121,225
Total	965,240	765,559

* Rates of exchange : Year 1964 - US$1.00 = HK$5.748
1963 - US$1.00 = HK$5.75

Source: Trade Statistics, Commerce and Industry Department, HK Government.

Hong Kong Exports to Japan of Fish & Fish Preparations
1963 & 1964 (by Category)

Japan	Value US$ a/ Year 1963	Year 1964
Prawns and shrimps: fresh, chilled or frozen	5,002,444	3,389,544
Aquarium fish	49,599	105,281
Other fish products	3,883	18,301
Total	5,055,926	3,513,126

a/ Rates of exchange: Year 1964 - US$1.00 = HK$5.748
Year 1963 - US$1.00 = HK$5.750

Source: Trade Statistics, Commerce & Industry Dept., HK Govt.

Hong Kong Imports from Major Suppliers of Fish & Fish Preparations in 1963 and 1964 (by Value).

Value US$ a/

Communist China	Year 1963	Year 1964
Fresh water fish: fresh, chilled or frozen	5,332,409	8,651,519
Prawns and shrimps: fresh, chilled or frozen	1,546,105	4,042,011
Fish: sated, dried or smoked	1,211,355	1,793,544
Marine water fish: fresh, chilled or frozen	970,597	1,550,004
Cuttlefish and squid: salted, dried or smoked	767,098	988,737
Prawns and shrimps: salted, dried or smoked	405,866	787,315
Oysters: salted, dried or smoked	224,321	188,343
Crustacea and molluscs: fresh or frozen, n.e.s.	254,213	185,001
Fresh water fish: canned	101,098	102,715
Other fish products	268,276	325,882
Total	11,081,338	18,615,061
Japan		
Sharks fins: salted, dried or smoked	1,411,255	1,323,290
Abalone: salted, dried or smoked	893,095	1,423,705
Crustacea molluscs: salted, dried or smoked	308,127	453,482
Crustacea molluscs: canned	300,400	300,730
Marine fish: canned	273,453	267,992
Oysters: salted, dried or smoked	96,931	116,997
Other fish products	183,333	149,425
Total	3,466,594	4,035,621
Macau		
Prawns and shrimps: fresh, chilled or frozen	1,332,091	879,411
Crustacea and Molluscs: fresh, chilled or frozen	227,100	225,952
Cuttlefish and squid: salted, dried or frozen	102,199	3,300
Other fish products	63,525	174,589
Total	1,724,915	1,283,252

a/ Rates of exchange : Year 1964 - US$1.00 = HK$5.748
Year 1963 - US$1.00 = HK$5.75

Source: Trade Statistics, Commerce & Industry Department, HK Govt.

Principal Categories of Fish & Fish Preparations Imported into Hong Kong 1963 & 1964

Value US$ a/

Item Description	Year 1963	Year 1964
Marine fish: fresh, chilled or frozen	6,702,555	10,486,089
Prawns and shrimps: fresh, chilled or frozen	3,179,192	6,034,702
Cuttlefish and squid: salted, dried or smoked	2,382,559	2,909,752
Sharks fins: salted, dried or smoked	2,268,915	2,187,453
Marine water fish: salted, dried or smoked	1,821,401	2,165,979
Crustacea molluscs: canned	1,713,243	2,140,244
Abalone: salted, dried or smoked	942,736	1,490,675
Prawns & shrimps: salted, dried or smoked	792,554	1,293,039
Other fish products	2,298,550	2,705,224
Total	22,101,705	31,413,157

a/ Rates of exchange : Year 1964 - US$1.00 = HK$5.748
Year 1963 - US$1.00 = HK$5.75

Source : Trade Statistics, Commerce and Industry Department, HK Govt.

Principal Categories of Fish & Fish Products Exported from Hong Kong 1963 & 1964

Value US$ a/

Item Description	Year 1963	Year 1964
Prawns, shrimps: fresh, chilled or frozen	6,077,630	4,112,818
Marine water fish: salted, dried or smoked	611,967	584,114
Aquarium fish	289,354	422,492
Fresh water fish: canned	153,196	118,886
Cuttlefish & squid: salted, dried or smoked	139,181	195,233
Marine fish: canned	133,936	141,528
Oysters: salted, dried or smoked	128,606	122,029
Other fish products	246,501	227,604
Total	7,780,371	5,924,704

a/ Rates of exchange: Year 1964 - US$1.00 = HK$5.748
Year 1963 - US$1.00 = HK$5.75

Source: Trade Statistics, Commerce & Industry Dept., HK Govt.

Principal Categories of Fish and Fish Products Re-Exported From Hong Kong

Value US$ *

Item	Year 1963	Year 1964
Prawns & shrimps: fresh, chilled or frozen	1,850,707	2,525,671
Cuttlefish & squid: salt, dried or smoked	1,038,105	1,272,479
Marine & water fish: salt, dried or smoked	676,462	1,124,835
Crustacea molluscs prepared, n.e.s., canned	139,455	187,211
Sharks fin: salt, dried or smoked	196,768	174,473
Other fish products	509,823	519,197
Total	4,411,320	5,803,866

* Rates of exchange used : Year 1964 - US$1.00 = HK$5.748
Year 1963 - US$1.00 = HK$5.75

Source: Trade Statistics, Commerce and Industry Department, HK Govt.

FRESH MARINE FISH
LOCAL PRODUCTION, EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND RE-EXPORTS a/

Figures express quantity in piculs *

Year 1963	Local Production b/	Exports c/	Imports c/	Re-exports c/	Local Consumption
January	72,460	155	15,026	0	87,331
February	79,503	105	2,866	21	82,243
March	103,325	250	8,387	8	111,454
April	97,705	181	8,176	0	105,700
May	98,862	408	4,382	0	100,836
June	78,173	87	8,754	82	86,758
July	76,591	623	10,917	362	86,523
August	100,712	49	7,775	12	108,426
September	90,492	196	8,649	0	98,945
October	93,472	377	6,821	1,646	98,270
November	100,180	133	8,525	559	108,013
December	97,680	54	11,737	198	109,165
1963 Total	1,087,155	2,615	102,015	2,888	1,183,664
Year 1964					
January	100,153	239	9,446	0	109,360
February	65,553	249	6,203	0	71,507
March	113,898	485	8,985	198	122,200
April	103,606	1,035	9,490	297	111,764
May	79,549	823	3,067	460	81,333
June	71,032	284	19,735	181	90,302
July	87,743	64	17,870	1,972	103,577
August	88,401	16	9,131	1,352	96,164
September	59,398	46	14,558	666	73,244
October	68,674	547	12,744	962	79,909
November	87,915	474	12,760	105	100,096
December	101,880	362	25,143	859	125,802
1964 Total	748,198	4,624	149,132	7,052	1,165,258

Footnote:

* 1 picul = 133.33 lb.

a/ Includes crustacea

b/ The Agriculture and Fisheries Department calculates these production figures by subtracting from the quantity of fish sold through the FMO the quantity of fish purchased by Hong Kong fishermen on the fishing grounds and then adding to the result a percentage figure to account for fish consumed by fisherfolk, sold alive to restaurants, or which did not pass through the FMO for some reason. The percentage figure used in FY-1963-64 was 29%. Since the factor for the Fiscal Year April 1, 1964 to March 31, 1965 has not yet been fixed, an approximate factor of 30% is therefore used.

c/ Compiled by the Commerce and Industry Department from trade sources.

SOURCES: 1. Monthly Statistics, Agriculture and Fisheries Department.
2. Monthly Trade Statistics. Commerce & Industry Department.

SALT/DRIED MARINE FISH
LOCAL PRODUCTION, EXPORTS, IMPORTS AND RE-EXPORTS

Figures express quantity in piculs*

Year 1963	Local Production a/	Exports c/	Imports c/	Re-exports c/	Local Consumption
January	2,743	1,986	17,604	2,918	15,443
February	3,114	1,917	15,842	4,444	12,595
March	4,920	2,023	16,472	2,050	17,319
April	1,814	1,190	13,239	2,083	11,780
May	2,650	1,493	13,653	1,261	13,549
June	5,811	861	8,728	571	13,107
July	11,359	552	6,392	1,767	15,432
August	5,741	869	7,987	568	12,291
September	2,712	575	6,885	1,639	7,383
October	3,267	1,188	7,599	2,595	7,083
November	2,514	1,222	9,054	1,931	8,415
December	2,423	2,170	9,914	1,659	8,508
1963 Total	49,068	16,046	133,369	23,486	142,905
Year 1964					
January	1,537	1,758	8,232	1,524	6,487
February	602	1,111	5,254	1,029	3,716
March	2,417	1,362	8,108	3,930	5,233
April b/	3,692	1,199	12,294	2,398	b/
May	7,192	927	7,799	1,618	
June	5,356	1,035	5,707	926	
July	4,304	471	9,554	612	
August	2,141	534	7,701	3,585	
September	1,474	697	7,226	633	
October	1,803	996	6,539	1,158	
November	2,671	1,332	7,089	6,352	
December	4,235	2,421	16,740	2,183	
1964 Total	b/	13,843	102,243	25,948	b/

Footnote:

* 1 picul = 133.33 lb.

a/ The Agriculture & Fisheries Department calculates these production figures by subtracting from the salt/dried fish sold through the FMO both the quantity purchased by Hong Kong fishermen from foreign fishermen on the fishing grounds and the quantity sold for other than human consumption. It then adds a percentage figure to account for salt/dried fish consumed by the fisherfolk themselves and for quantities which did not pass through the FMO for some reason. The percentage figure used between April 1, 1963 and March 31, 1964 was 30%.

b/ Data given in this column for April through December 1964 are for quantity marketed rather than production because figures on quantity sold for other than human consumption had not been consolidated at the time this table was prepared. Therefore, consumption figures and totals for the year are not given.

c/ Compiled by the Commerce & Industry Department from trade sources.

Different Species of Fresh and Salt/dried Fish sold through Fish Marketing Organization.

Jan. - Dec. 1963.	Fresh Fish Av. Pr.	Fresh Fish Quan. Piculs	Fresh Fish Value $	Salt/dried Fish Av. Pr.	Salt/dried Fish Quan. Piculs	Salt/dried Fish Value $	Total Av. Pr.	Total Quan. Piculs	Total Value $
lden Thread	.83	192,464	16,024,336	.65	456	29,429	.83	192,920	16,053,765
zard Fish	.32	65,853	2,129,528	.65	1,559	100,739	.33	67,412	2,230,267
d Sea Bream	1.19	14,534	1,733,490	.35	4	141	1.19	14,538	1,733,631
lden Sardine	.19	1,298	24,791	.16	3,696	59,628	.17	4,994	84,419
chovies	.31	8,484	261,161	.64	4,637	296,509	.43	13,121	557,670
llow Croaker	1.36	4,307	585,307	1.93	270	52,198	1.39	4,577	637,505
onker	.37	18,078	675,901	1.51	2,847	429,969	.53	20,925	1,105,870
rangoid Fish	.20	22,711	463,113	.17	10,758	177,631	.19	33,469	640,744
ir Tail	.67	10,433	695,794	1.04	206	21,519	.67	10,639	717,313
nger Pike	.69	41,328	2,857,277	1.35	258	34,855	.70	41,586	2,892,132
ckerel Soad	.34	30,387	1,031,094	.28	196	5,452	.34	30,583	1,036,546
cao Sole	.94	8,795	822,695	.34	87	2,918	.93	8,882	825,613
d Goat Fish	.29	34,374	986,392	.25	550	14,017	.29	34,924	1,000,409
een Pilchard	.18	13,458	240,805	.49	915	45,028	.20	14,373	285,833
rse Head	1.23	21,697	2,665,314	1.26	70	8,793	1.23	21,767	2,674,107
nite Herring	.54	4,284	229,470	1.31	762	99,530	.65	5,046	329,000
lon Seed	.62	28,428	1,775,668	.20	21	428	.62	28,449	1,776,096
ckerel	1.09	15,881	1,725,721	1.07	453	48,539	1.09	16,334	1,774,260
d Snapper	.74	19,362	1,436,809	1.48	1,771	261,979	.80	21,133	1,698,788
potted Pouter	.22	5,328	119,773	.40	132	5,217	.23	5,460	124,990
aroupa	2.10	18,727	3,926,181	.92	30	2,768	2.09	18,757	3,928,949
nark	.28	33,642	930,522	.12	39	452	.28	33,681	930,974
napper	1.15	7,759	890,960	1.43	165	23,664	1.15	7,924	914,624
ead Grunt	.92	3,646	335,659	1.01	19	1,912	.92	3,665	337,571
revalle	.44	15,539	689,012	1.54	271	41,679	.46	15,810	730,691
ullet	1.01	2,003	202,808	-	-	-	1.01	2,003	202,808
lack Pomfret	1.21	4,799	580,209	1.60	262	42,012	1.23	5,061	622,221
hread Fin	1.69	3,662	618,880	2.17	420	91,293	1.74	4,082	710,173
inkgo Fish	1.14	7,322	834,370	1.57	32	5,036	1.14	7,354	839,406
oung Baracuda	.62	7,611	469,499	1.38	1,548	213,344	.75	9,159	682,843
hrimp Caranx	.23	1,699	38,543	.26	65	1,664	.23	1,764	40,207
ig Eyes	.36	36,152	1,308,500	.23	100	2,277	.36	36,252	1,310,777
hite Pomfret	2.36	4,328	1,020,401	2.18	94	20,524	2.35	4,422	1,040,925
late and Cod	.90	2,540	228,245	1.92	139	26,664	.95	2,679	254,909
ai Moun	.82	2,243	184,186	.25	1,320	32,736	.61	3,563	216,922
ong Jaw Herring	.15	836	12,620	.24	196	4,799	.17	1,032	17,419
lip Mouth Pouter	.52	385	20,070	.53	25	1,337	.52	410	21,407
kate Ray	.25	1,854	46,568	.24	18	434	.25	1,872	47,002
ig Eye Snapper	1.30	7,840	1,018,935	1.50	44	6,595	1.30	7,884	1,025,530
hub Mackerel	.76	935	71,438	1.11	99	10,949	.80	1,034	82,387
aracuda	.30	4,357	349,484	1.02	56	5,696	.81	4,413	355,180
alse Halibut	1.42	1,632	232,127	2.30	91	20,971	1.47	1,723	253,098
ound Herring	.23	4,273	97,448	.47	1,190	55,703	.28	5,463	153,151
ea Cat Fish	.30	3,770	114,629	.06	4	26	.30	3,774	114,655
hite Croaker	1.17	181	21,193	1.77	279	49,290	1.53	460	70,483
ordylasead	.40	205	8,208	.27	7	190	.40	212	8,398
ea Perch	1.49	156	23,184	-	-	-	1.49	156	23,184
oi Lin	.54	183	9,829	-	-	-	.54	183	9,829
izzard Shad	.56	3,301	184,717	.67	7	471	.56	3,308	185,188
oat Fish	.31	2,274	69,572	.16	10	162	.31	2,284	69,734
rey Mullet	1.87	499	93,235	-	-	-	1.87	499	93,235
onito	.30	1,230	36,659	-	-	-	.30	1,230	36,659
repang	.77	1,001	76,692	.49	2	97	.77	1,003	76,789
lat Head	1.04	2,295	239,673	.48	5	241	1.04	2,300	239,914
hin Crevalle	.85	1,342	114,199	.60	3	180	.85	1,345	114,379
uffer	-	-	-	.58	251	14,485	.58	251	14,485
and Borer	1.80	25	4,497	-	-	-	1.80	25	4,497
ilsa Herring	.85	1,532	129,836	.22	2	44	.85	1,534	129,880
ea-Bass	1.53	44	6,752	-	-	-	1.53	44	6,752
Other Fish	.41	110,318	4,523,488	.19	15,151	292,714	.38	125,469	4,816,202
uttle Fish	.72	12,268	879,217	2.27	227	51,514	.74	12,495	930,731
quid	.96	19,864	1,899,249	3.13	809	253,592	1.04	20,673	2,152,841
hrimp	2.62	7,511	1,966,276	-	-	-	2.62	7,511	1,966,276
hrimp Paste	-	-	-	.37	36	1,335	.37	36	1,335
all Shrimp	.93	7,613	707,499	3.16	35	11,051	.94	7,648	718,550
ctopus	.57	1,437	81,508	3.23	24	7,763	.61	1,461	89,271
ried Oyster	-	-	-	3.05	28	8,535	3.05	28	8,535
ish Maw	-	-	-	5.73	191	109,417	5.73	191	109,417
ea Weed	-	-	-	3.31	20	6,625	3.31	20	6,625
Total	.68	912,317	61,781,216	.65	52,962	3,114,760	.67	965,279	64,895,976

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Jan. - Dec. 1964.	Fresh Fish Av. Pr.	Fresh Fish Quan. Piculs	Fresh Fish Value $	Salt/dried Fish Av. Pr.	Salt/dried Fish Quan. Piculs	Salt/dried Fish Value $	Total Av. Pr.	Total Quan. Piculs	Total Value $
Golden Thread	.90	147,724	13,232,024	.63	132	8,284	.90	147,856	13,240,308
Lizzard Fish	.44	48,556	2,132,344	1.01	744	74,982	.45	49,300	2,207,326
Red Sea Bream	1.20	9,613	1,157,879	-	-	-	1.20	9,613	1,157,879
Golden Sardine	.40	6,469	259,205	.42	904	37,790	.40	7,373	296,995
Anchovies	.34	4,045	137,039	.85	2,959	252,310	.56	7,004	389,349
Yellow Croaker	1.34	2,366	317,691	2.25	426	95,641	1.48	2,792	413,332
Croaker	.42	15,862	660,950	1.29	3,067	394,670	.56	18,929	1,055,620
Carangoid Fish	.18	25,515	457,545	.13	9,861	127,102	.17	35,376	584,647
Hair Tail	.67	9,876	659,013	.91	243	22,104	.67	10,119	681,117
Conger Pike	.72	47,076	3,371,503	1.42	225	32,051	.72	47,301	3,403,554
Mackerel Scad	.25	46,642	1,175,739	.31	537	16,832	.25	47,179	1,192,571
Macao Sole	.78	16,706	1,307,410	.48	93	4,434	.78	16,799	1,311,844
Red Goat Fish	.32	24,294	783,090	.40	244	9,752	.32	24,538	792,842
Green Pilchard	.18	12,710	224,810	.44	559	24,827	.19	13,269	249,637
Horse Head	1.27	13,996	1,777,041	1.41	78	10,964	1.27	14,074	1,788,005
White Herring	.46	3,103	141,371	1.32	965	127,523	.66	4,068	268,894
Melon Seed	.72	23,868	1,714,840	-	-	-	.72	23,868	1,714,840
Mackerel	1.09	17,924	1,957,233	1.19	577	68,900	1.10	18,501	2,026,133
Red Snapper	.95	10,493	992,842	1.73	1,065	184,450	1.02	11,558	1,177,292
Spotted Pouter	.24	4,109	97,739	.39	115	4,532	.24	4,224	102,271
Garoupa	2.22	14,040	3,120,463	1.18	21	2,485	2.22	14,061	3,122,948
Shark	.26	26,122	838,508	-	-	-	.26	26,122	838,508
Snapper	.95	11,099	1,055,775	1.50	165	24,683	.96	11,264	1,080,458
Head Grunt	1.17	3,277	383,952	1.23	24	2,942	1.17	3,301	386,894
Crevalle	.53	13,483	715,133	1.81	424	76,606	.57	13,907	791,739
Mullet	.74	7,908	582,124	.41	10	412	.74	7,918	582,536
Black Pomfret	1.59	2,410	383,834	1.58	147	23,252	1.59	2,557	407,086
Thread Fin	1.24	4,218	521,885	2.30	366	84,315	1.32	4,584	606,200
Ginkgo Fish	1.17	5,309	623,033	1.42	47	6,651	1.18	5,356	629,684
Young Baracuda	.70	5,561	391,468	2.51	506	126,973	.85	6,067	518,441
Shrimp Caranx	.23	814	18,654	.34	20	678	.23	834	19,332
Big Eyes	.37	29,472	1,097,017	.35	34	1,184	.37	29,506	1,098,201
White Pomfret	1.88	5,023	944,430	1.84	43	7,899	1.88	5,066	952,329
Slate and Cod	.90	2,619	235,654	1.93	169	32,555	.96	2,788	268,209
Nai Moun	.81	1,506	122,735	.35	1,282	44,828	.60	2,788	167,563
Long Jaw Herring	.16	80	1,286	1.34	15	2,013	.35	95	3,299
Slip Mouth Pouter	.30	526	15,611	.30	39	1,189	.30	565	16,800
Skate Ray	.25	2,330	59,127	.44	19	828	.26	2,349	59,955
Big Eye Snapper	1.31	7,077	925,034	1.58	28	4,413	1.31	7,105	929,447
Chub Mackerel	.71	657	46,871	.80	163	13,097	.73	820	59,968
Baracuda	.76	4,669	354,848	.95	86	8,163	.76	4,755	363,011
False Halibut	1.36	1,483	201,200	2.97	94	27,896	1.45	1,577	229,096
Round Herring	.16	5,300	84,021	.38	1,317	50,274	.20	6,617	134,295
Sea Cat Fish	.32	2,301	72,729	-	-	-	.32	2,301	72,729
White Croaker	.92	196	18,056	2.50	209	52,289	1.74	405	70,345
Cordylascad	.37	169	6,259	-	-	-	.37	169	6,259
Sea Perch	1.43	144	20,589	-	-	-	1.43	144	20,589
Hoi Lin	1.13	129	14,515	-	-	-	1.13	129	14,515
Gizzard Shad	.61	3,342	202,770	-	-	-	.61	3,342	202,770
Goat Fish	.32	1,653	53,309	-	-	-	.32	1,653	53,309
Grey Mullet	1.61	377	60,536	-	-	-	1.61	377	60,536
Bonito	.29	721	20,951	-	-	-	.29	721	20,951
Drepane	.80	595	47,361	-	-	-	.80	595	47,361
Flat Head	1.08	2,215	239,594	-	-	-	1.08	2,215	239,594
Thin Crevalle	.87	1,551	134,459	-	-	-	.87	1,551	134,459
Puffer	-	-	-	.77	220	16,902	.77	220	16,902
Hilsa Herring	.78	1,317	102,614	-	-		.78	1,317	102,614
Sea Bass	1.21	27	3,262	-	-		1.21	27	3,262
Other Fish	.39	121,711	4,747,941	.27	10,168	277,514	.38	131,879	5,025,455
Cuttle Fish	.68	13,954	949,346	2.21	290	64,085	.71	14,244	1,013,431
Squid	1.40	12,048	1,688,298	3.52	1,246	438,275	1.59	13,294	2,126,573
Shrimp	2.94	3,590	1,054,965	-	-	-	2.94	3,590	1,054,965
Small Shrimp	1.04	5,451	566,974	2.98	51	15,215	1.06	5,502	582,189
Octopus	.57	1,400	79,614	3.74	19	7,112	.61	1,419	86,726
Oyster	-	-	-	3.05	14	4,275	3.05	14	4,275
Fish Maw	-	-	-	5.98	167	99,800	5.98	167	99,800
Sea Weed	-	-	-	3.32	185	61,477	3.32	185	61,477
Total	.68	818,821	55,364,113	.76	40,382	3,077,428	.68	859,203	58,441,541